

Jesus says that the not murdering is **not good enough**. The law is completely inadequate compared to the mandates of **holiness**.

Think about it this way; the law is like telling a child, "Don't take any cookies before dinner." **So what does that child immediately want to do?**  
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### Walk As Jesus Walked

*"He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked"* (1 Joh 2:6)

Some teach that believers are still in a **relationship with the law (spiritual adultery)**. They use the above passage to say that Jesus kept the law; therefore, we must also. We are supposed to walk as Jesus did.

This theory misses some significant facts. First, Jesus came to **FULFILL the law**. Second, they **cherry-pick** only the law-keeping aspect of Jesus' life and not the rest of the life of Jesus, to mandate upon others.

They say, walk like Jesus. I say, **He walked on water...let me see you walk like Him!**

What does it mean when it says we are to walk the same way Jesus walked? It means to be **led by the Holy Spirit**.

Scripture tells us that **Jesus was led by the Spirit**.

*"Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil."*  
(Matthew 4:1)

The Bible tells us that Jesus would baptize us in the Holy Ghost.

*"For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days*

*hence."* (Acts 1:5)

Believers are TOLD to be led by the Spirit and NOT the law.

*"But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law."* (Galatians 5:18)

So, if the Holy Spirit leads us, we will be walking as Jesus walked.  
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### Conclusion: Spiritual Adultery

There are many ways that we can commit adultery against God. We have reviewed a few of them in this brief study.

- \* If you **want friendship with the world**, the Bible calls you an adulterer
- \* If you **commit idolatry**, it is spiritual infidelity
- \* If you claim to be the Bride of Christ while **maintaining your marriage to the law**, it is adultery

**God takes His marriage covenant seriously.** He loves us, and He makes a glorious way to correct our relationship with Him...**the sacrifice of Jesus!**

When we find ourselves on the wrong path...

*"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."* (1 John 1:9)

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## To Whom Are You Married?

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*"Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready."*  
(Revelation 19:7)

I pray that we see how much God loves us through this brief study of our marriage to Jesus.  
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### We Are Called To Be The Bride Of Christ

God clearly and repeatedly calls us the bride of Christ. Therefore, as believers, our husband is Jesus!

*"For thy Maker is thine husband; the LORD of hosts is his name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth shall he be called."* (Isaiah 54:5)

*"For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ."*  
(2 Corinthians 11:2)

It is interesting to note that Isaiah 54:5 tells us "God" is our husband, while 2 Corinthians 11:2 proclaims that "Jesus" is our husband. This fact is a clear indication of the Trinity doctrine, at least in regards to the Father and the Son.  
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### God Is Jealous Over Us

Like any decent husband, God is jealous over His bride. He is jealous over us! Of course, this is healthy jealousy. God is in no way paranoid. One thing that makes God very jealous is idolatry.

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*“For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God:”*  
(Exodus 34:14)

What does a **JEALOUS** man do? He may **beat up** the interloper. He may **become angry** with his spouse. He may separate or **divorce** his cheating bride. Is there any chance that **God may respond similarly** (although in completely Holy) ways? Think about it...

*“The Lord shall go forth as a mighty man, he shall stir up jealousy like a man of war: he shall cry, yea, roar; he shall prevail against his enemies.”*  
(Isaiah 42:13)

*“(For the Lord thy God is a jealous God among you) lest the anger of the Lord thy God be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth.”* (Deuteronomy 6:15)

*“And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also.”* (Jeremiah 3:8)

### Spiritual Adultery

Adultery is always destructive to marriage relationships, and spiritual adultery destroys our relationship with Jesus. However, God is full of grace, love, and mercy; therefore, He makes a way for the restoration of the marriage... and that way is the way of repentance and returning to fidelity.

The Bible identifies several things as spiritual adultery. In the previous section, we see that idolatry is adultery. In the following passage, God tells us that wanting to be friends with the ungodly is spiritual adultery and makes us God's

enemy!

*“You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.”* (James 4:4)

If we long for the ungodly things this world has to offer, we essentially say that our relationship with Jesus is INSUFFICIENT, and we NEED carnal friendships to fulfill us.

Being filled with the Holy Spirit and seeking fulfillment from the ungodly is spiritual adultery!  
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### Who Are You Married To?

We see another adultery identified in Romans 7:1-6. It is spiritual infidelity to be married to the law AND Jesus!

*Know ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law,) how that the law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth? (2) For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband. (3) So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man.* (Romans 7:1-3)

In Romans 7:1-3, Paul details what the law said about marriage. Basically, if your spouse is alive and you marry someone else, you have committed adultery. **If your spouse dies, you are not an adulterer if you marry again.**

*“Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.* (5) For **when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins,**

*which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death. (6) But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter.”* (Romans 7:4-6)

In Romans 7:4-6, Paul explains the spiritual application of the previous verses.

Verse 4 tells us that because of the sacrifice of Christ, we have died to the law. This death **FREES US to MARRY someone else**. This verse also tells us that **we are now to be married to Jesus**, with the purpose of **being fruitful for God**.

Verse 5 reminds us of what our life was like when we were alive in the flesh and **married to the law**. Before being crucified with Christ, our **sinful passions were aroused by our former spouse (the LAW)** and brought forth fruit for death.

In verse 6, due to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, **we are delivered from the law!** Our former spouse (the LAW) **held us captive as prisoners**. It is no wonder the law is referred to as a yoke of bondage.

When we were married to the law, sinful passions were aroused by the law, and we bore **fruit unto DEATH**.

After we die to the law and are married to Jesus, we bring forth the **fruit of the SPIRIT unto God**.

In Matthew chapter 5, Jesus repeatedly tells us that the **law is NOT GOOD ENOUGH**. Jesus quotes the law, and then He says, "BUT, I say unto you..." and says something beyond the law of Moses. For example:

- \* The law = no murder
- \* Jesus = no unjustified anger